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## House Cable Bill.

Washington, April 20.—The House Committee on Commerce today substituted the Sherman bill for the construction of a Pacific cable in place of the bill recently passed by the Senate.

The Sherman bill had been previously reported to the House, but today's action puts it in the form of a substitute for the Senate measure. It differs from the Senate bill in providing construction by private contract under Government supervision, while the Senate bill provides for Government construction and operation.

## Poll Tax Causes

### Sharp Senate Discussion

Washington, April 20.—The Senate had under consideration during the greater part of today's session the conference report on the Hawaiian civil government measure. Cullum made an extended explanation of the changes in the bill. The report was the subject of sharp criticism. Final action was postponed until tomorrow.

Cullum made a general explanation of the work of the conferees.

A long discussion took place over a provision requiring the payment by residents of Hawaii of a poll tax of \$5 before votes could be registered. The provisions was opposed by Tillman, Teller, Jones of Arkansas, Stewart and others. Cullum, in charge of the report, said that if it were sent back to conference he would favor the elimination of the poll tax provision.

In conclusion of his explanation of the measure Cullum summarized the advantages to this country of the annexation of Hawaii. He presented a general review of the resources of the Hawaiian Islands, and showed that since they came under the Stars and Stripes they had experienced the greatest material prosperity. He thought no citizen of the United States need feel any doubt as to the intellectual, moral or financial standing of the Hawaiian Islands.

"These people have brought with them a splendid educational system," he said, "and a prosperous agricultural establishment, and all classes of rice, sugar and coffee planters are engaged now in business profitable to all concerned."

The report was postponed until tomorrow, when Cullum said he hoped to dispose of it.

## MUST BE CITIZENS OF HAWAII.

Washington, April 23.—The conferees on the Hawaiian Government bill have agreed to that feature of the House bill requiring that the Governor, Judges, etc., shall be citizens of Hawaii.

## SENT BACK TO CONFERENCE.

Washington, April 21.—At the request of Cullum of Illinois, the conference report on the Hawaiian civil government bill was laid before the Senate. It was disagreed to and a new conference requested, Morgan and Clark of Wyoming being named as conferees.

## EXPERT BOWDEN ARRIVES

Thomas Bowden, chief expert of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co. of London, arrived in the Nippon Maru this morning. Mr. Bowden with Manager Fred J. Cross of the Inter-Island Telegraph Co., Ltd., will immediately proceed to the preliminary work for installing the telegraph system. The specifications will be completed and the station on the various islands located.

The equipment for the system is now on the way and Mr. Bowden's assistants will arrive within the next few weeks in order that the work may be carried to rapid completion.

Mr. Bowden is a comparatively young man who has been associated with Mr. Marconi for the past two years. He assisted in the experiments with the British and American navy and is well able to take care of the task set for him in these islands. Speaking of the latest work done by the Marconi system, Mr. Bowden spoke of messages being sent a distance of 125 miles over land and sea from experimental stations in England and France. "We have never tried to see what we could do," remarked Mr. Bowden. "When request is made for work, we take hold of it and we have not yet failed to fulfill a reasonable task."

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REPUBLICANS AT THE DRILL SHED, 7:30 TONIGHT.

## NO SLATE TO BE FOUND

### Republican Meeting Tonight Will Be a Square Deal.

Rumors Evidently Started With Motives Not Known to Those Making the Accusation—No Thought of Machiavellian Role.

The following prominent Republicans have been seen by a representative of the Bulletin in regard to the allegations made in print and upon the streets that there were factions in the Republican party that would endeavor to control the organization meeting to be held this evening. The sensational reports of "slates" and "wheelers" are evidently self-interested and purposely made as the following will show:

A. S. Humphreys said: "I know of no faction or factions in the Republican party of Hawaii. I am not a member of any faction, and if there is any I cannot be counted on to represent it in any way. I believe in the sovereignty of the individual, and no good Republican can afford to take any other view of the right which every man has to be fully and fairly heard of any gathering of Republicans. We ought to have it understood at the outset that every man, without reference to his creed, color, or station in life, can talk and vote as he pleases on any public question, without standing in fear of volcanoes, or other forms of force or fraud."

A. V. Gear said: "The only program I know of is the program stated in the call for the meeting. I think, personally, that the meeting should provide for a permanent organization of the Republican party in the Territory of Hawaii, either by delegating power for such purpose to committees, or by at once organizing in a committee of the whole. Yes, there are factions in the Republican party, as I believe that the Republicans comprise all classes and conditions of men; but when it comes to organization all factions will join hands for the benefit of Republicanism in Hawaii."

Geo. R. Carter said that he had heard the rumor on the streets that a slate had been formed and that the meeting tonight would only be to do the shouting at; he was not prepared to say that he believed the rumors, but, if there proved to be anything in them, the only way to do would be to have a caucus and break the slate by an organized opposition.

Another gentleman, who has taken a prominent part in the present movement for organization said:

"There is not the least foundation for these rumors of factions in the Republican party and 'slates' to be sprung at the meeting tonight. My opinion is that the stories have been printed and set afloat otherwise by the members of one of the old political factions here, which has already developed a healthy political fear of openhanded Republican methods and is afraid of results as it has a little slate of its own that it wishes to hold up for adoption. I believe that Mr. Cecil Brown will be elected chairman of the meeting tonight unanimously, and none will be found to accuse him of being a factional man. His candidacy for chairman is so popular that it seems to me to preclude the idea of a factional meeting. If there is any foundation to the sensational rumors set afloat it may be looked for in the vivid imaginations of the friends of an interested clique whose members are accusing others to shield their own plans."

All other prominent Republicans who were seen agreed they had not heard of any organized factions, but it such existed they were personally and politically opposed thereto.

## The Detention Camps.

Dr. Wood, president of the Board of Health, conferred with the Executive Council this morning on the disposition to be made of the detention camps. It was voted:

That the Kailua detention camp in its entirety, remain in the custody and under the supervision of the Board of Health;

That the Board of Health use its discretion with regard to the disposal of the buildings at the Drill Shed camp, and the military buildings at the Kailua detention camp; also with regard to the effects now stored in the Drill Shed camp of any effects of any of the other camps.

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# HAWAII BILL ACCEPTED.

[Associated Press Special.]

Washington, April 25.—San Francisco, 11:39 a. m.—The conference report on the Hawaiian Government bill was agreed to in the Senate.

## G. N. Roberts Is Still

### Holding His Own

London, April 25.—1:57 p. m.—The War Office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts:

"Bloemfontein, April 25.—Pole-Carew's division reached Roodekop yesterday evening without casualties. The advance was covered by cavalry and horse artillery which drove back the enemy with heavy losses, their dead being left on the ground. The mounted troops halted for the night at Grootfontein and at 7:30 this morning were crossing the Modder river at Valsbank, in accordance with my instructions to French to endeavor to place himself astride the enemy's line of retreat. French's arrival near the Modder evidently, however, alarmed the Boers, who evacuated their strong position near Dewetsdorp during the night and it was occupied by Chermide's division this morning."

The Highland Brigade marched twenty-four miles yesterday to support General Hamilton and halted for the night at Klip Kraal four miles short of Samah's Post.

"Brabant and Hart are still a few miles short of Wepener, and the numbers of the enemy appear to have somewhat increased during the last few days. But it is not likely there will be much trouble in the neighborhood of Wepener once Dewetsdorp is occupied by our troops."

"I inspected the City Imperial volunteer battalion yesterday on their arrival at Bloemfontein. They are in line form and look very workmanlike. I also inspected the first company of Imperial Yeomanry which has arrived here. The men turn out smart and their horses are in an admirable condition."

## Dewetsdorp Occupied.

(Special Correspondence.)

London, April 25, 2:55 p. m.—Lord Roberts has telegraphed the following message to the War Office:

"Bloemfontein, April 25.—Dewetsdorp was occupied by Chermide's division without opposition at 9:30 this morning. All Depend on French. (Associated Press Special.)

London, April 25.—The decisive action and slow progress of Generals Hart and Brabant are relatively unimportant, when compared with the progress of General French.

It is now evident that Lord Roberts not only wishes to defeat the Boers, but to pen them in at Paardeberg. To this end 40,000 British troops are concentrating in the south-eastern portion of the Orange Free State and are operating according to carefully devised plans and the delay may be due as much to strategy as to necessity. The success of this important movement almost entirely depends upon General French. If he can sweep down from the north with the rapidity of execution which he displayed at Kimberley and Paardeberg, he will effect the same swift, sudden transformation which followed the cavalry evolutions two months ago. According to last accounts, he was pushing on successfully. Every day the Boers remain at Wepener improves General French's chance of success.

To put a girdle around the 25,000 Boers estimated to be in the south-eastern part of the Orange Free State, Lord Roberts has evidently taken large chances. The British critics differ regarding the result, some declaring it is impossible for the Boers to escape

from the net, while others reserve their opinion until more definite news of General French's progress is received.

There is a general impression that the main advance upon Pretoria will be taken up without any reconcentration at Bloemfontein, as with more than half the British army stretched across the Orange Free State such a change in directions would indefinitely delay the accomplishment of Lord Roberts' main objective.

## Great Developments Expected.

(Associated Press Special.)

Herschel, Cape Colony, Tuesday, April 24.—It is reported that the British have occupied Wepener after heavy fighting. It is also said that the Boers are unable to escape to the north and that great developments are expected.

## Boers Return in Force.

(Associated Press Special.)

Maseru, Basutoland, Tuesday, April 24.—On the breaking up of the bivouac this morning, Generals Brabant and Hart discovered that the Boers who fell back towards Wepener yesterday had advanced during the night several miles nearer to Strauss Farm which is a favorable position for resistance.

Colonel Dalgety was severely attacked with six guns this morning, probably with a view to preventing him resisting the relief column. It seemed yesterday that Dalgety had practically been relieved but the offensive attitude assumed by the Boers this morning shows the idea to have been erroneous. General Hart is now a few miles behind General Brabant's division which is waiting for the former to come up.

Thirteen British wounded were removed to Mafeteng at midnight and placed in the English church.

## CHANGES IN THE BILL

A letter from W. O. Smith gives the reason for the first delay of the conference report on the Territorial bill to have been an error for reprinting the bill as amended. Senator Pettigrew made the motion, saying that with the markings "he mother would not know her own child."

The amendments made by the committee, other than minor ones, Mr. Smith says were:

Strike out Senate provision for making wise shipping laws apply to Hawaii immediately.

Make Circuit as well as Supreme Court judges appointive by the President.

Appeals on writs of error, etc., from Territorial Supreme Court to the United States Courts only on condition the same as govern appeals from State Courts.

Sale of intoxicating liquor at retail to be left to the regulation of the Territorial Legislature.

## REPUBLICANS AT THE DRILL SHED, 7:30 TONIGHT.

## Princess Likelike's Portrait.

The Executive Council this morning voted that the portrait of the Princess Likelike, which has heretofore been hanging in the Judiciary building, be renovated and reframed and placed in the Executive building, in accordance with the request of Mr. A. S. Cleghorn in a letter of March 15.

No order is being sent East for a high lift pump for the central pumping station. The matter remains where the Bulletin left it a week ago. Tenders are to be invited only locally, as the need is emergent and a good pump is here.

ALL REPUBLICANS SHOULD BE AT TONIGHT'S MASS MEETING.

## SUPREME COURT DECISIONS

The Supreme Court has rendered a decision overruling exception of Akol, guardian, and J. H. Barenaba, surety on guardian's bond, to judgment on the bond for \$200 in proceedings brought by Judge Stanley. Justice Whiting writes the opinion, which is signed by Justice Frear and Acting Justice Lorin Andrews. Dickey for plaintiff; De Bolt for defendant.

Justice Whiting is author of a unanimous opinion of the Supreme Court, Justice Frear and Circuit Judge Stanley participating, in the submission of case of John A. Butterfield vs. Charles Bon, relative to a foreclosure of mortgage. The submission of case is dismissed without prejudice to either party, on account of want of clearness in agreed facts. Castle & Weaver for plaintiff; Holmes for defendant.

A unanimous decision of the Supreme Court by Justice Whiting, joined in by Justice Frear and Acting Justice Silliman, overrules the granting of a non-suit in Union Feed Co., Ltd., vs. E. B. Thomas, assumpsit. The ground of non-suit was that plaintiff had not proved itself to be a lawful corporation, plaintiff being refused leave to offer the proof after resting its case. It is held by the Court that only slight further formal proof was necessary and the case ought to have been reopened. The case is remanded to the District Court. Bittling for plaintiff; McCants Stewart for defendant.

Justice Frear writes the unanimous opinion of the Supreme Court, Justice Whiting and Judge Stanley subscribing with him, on an appeal from the Third Circuit Judge. The case was G. W. Ahoy vs. M. F. Scott, assumpsit for \$46.65. The District Magistrate of South Kona threw it out of court, on the ground that service was made before summons was issued, but declined to allow defendant's attorney's fees. The Circuit Judge allowed the fees, appeal being solely on that point. Now the Supreme Court reverses the decision of the Circuit Judge, holding that attorney's fees are not allowed upon the quashing of the summons or service. Cathart for plaintiff; Andrews for defendant.

## DAMON FOR GOVERNOR.

When asked this morning about his rumored selection to be Governor of Hawaii Minister Damon said he knew nothing of the matter, did not think a Governor would be appointed until the bill was passed and signed and was of the opinion he would remain with the banking house of Bishop & Co. for some time to come.

## Letters From Hartwell.

Minister Mott-Smith read a letter from Mr. Hartwell at the Executive Council meeting. It was dated Washington, April 20. Among other things it says the Senate would not agree to making the payment of taxes a prerequisite to the voting franchise, not to requiring that the President's appointee as Governor should be a citizen of the Territory.

In a telegram of the 25th Mr. Hartwell speaks hopefully for the immediate passage of the bill. He said he might have to wait for the Coptic in order to obtain the resolution for paying the Hawaiian bonds.

## Turkey Will Settle.

Washington, April 24.—The State Department has agreed to give the Sultan time to settle the missionaries' claims of about \$100,000—not much time, but sufficient to relieve the situation of its alleged warlike quality. The department is pleased that Turkey has expressed a desire to allow the rebuilding of the Harpoot and the Roberts colleges, which were destroyed some years ago and which the department has been trying to gain the consent of the Porte to have rebuilt. This is regarded as proof of Turkey's friendly intentions.

Washington, Apr. 23.—Secretary Long has sent to the Naval Affairs Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives the adopted plans for establishing a naval rendezvous, repair plant and coaling station at Pearl Harbor, Hawaiian Islands, with an urgent recommendation pointing out the necessity for promptly instituting the improvements to utilize this key to the entire Pacific ocean.

## REPUBLICANS MEET TONIGHT

The Republican mass meeting to be held in the Drill Shed at 7:30 this evening bids fair to be one of the most enthusiastic gatherings Honolulu has seen in many days. The call has been very generally signed, and it is anticipated that there will be a good representation of those who not having signed will be interested onlookers.

So far as can be learned there is no particular slate for the evening, although it was reported on the street this morning that Mr. Thurston had a following that would have a plan. On the other hand it is stated that none of the old time leaders will take an active part, the whole program being left to the will of the meeting.

Hon. Cecil Brown seems to be accepted as the man for permanent chairman, he having been a prominent factor in stirring up the people to follow the earnest suggestions of political leaders, both Republican and Democrat, in Washington to organize as promptly as possible on American lines.

## CANAL VOTE MAY 1.

Washington, April 23.—At the opening of the House to day, upon request of Hepburn of Iowa, chairman of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, unanimous consent was given to set aside May 1 and 2 for consideration of the Nicaragua canal bill. Hepburn said that one day would be given for general debate and one for amendment under the five-minute rule.

## Canal Bill Amended.

Washington, April 20.—The House committee on interstate and foreign commerce today made an important change in the Hepburn Nicaragua canal bill, striking out the provision for the "fortification" and thus providing what is expected to be a compromise which will aid in bringing the measure to an early consideration.

The amendment was proposed by Representative Barham of California. The chairman of the committee was instructed to offer the same upon consideration of the bill at the proper time as a committee amendment, etc. The amendment was agreed to, not without some expression of reluctance, but with a view to overcoming opposition and securing action.

## First Electric Railway.

Plans for the Pacific Heights electric railway are being landed from the Andrew Welch. Tracklaying will begin actively early next week. Mr. Desky's promise of a trolley car excursion up Kailua boulevard on the Fourth of July seems likely to be fulfilled.

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